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## DR. ADAMS

### MAY RESIGN HIS PASTORATE

Receives Call From Congregation At Jackson, Tenn.

HAS MATTER UNDER CONSIDERATION AND WILL MAKE DECISION IN NEXT FEW DAYS.

### TEN YEARS IN FRANKFORT.

Rev. M. B. Adams, D. D., pastor of the First Baptist Church, has received a call from the congregation of the First Baptist Church of Jackson, Tenn., and it is believed that he will accept the call. While Dr. Adams did not say that he has decided to leave Frankfort, he admitted that he has the call under consideration.

Several weeks ago Dr. Adams was invited to preach for the congregation at Jackson, and so well pleased were they with him that, when the proposition of calling him to the pastorate was submitted to the membership, the vote was unanimous in favor of inviting Dr. Adams to become their permanent pastor. The Jackson church has been without a pastor only a short while, and, as Dr. Adams was so well known to them through his vigorous work for the cause of temperance, the congregation was of one mind as to the expediency of calling him to the pastorate.

The church at Jackson is wide-awake and prosperous, and they have a large membership. Jackson is a thriving little city of about twelve or fifteen thousand inhabitants and there is a splendid field for work.

Dr. Adams has been pastor of the Baptist church in Frankfort about ten years, having come here from Mason county. He is a West Virginian by birth and he is a man of marked ability. During his pastorate in Frankfort he has built up the church until it is now the largest congregation in the city. The church has also built an addition to their church building at a cost of about \$12,000.

Dr. Adams came into State prominence by his active work for the cause of temperance. About four years ago he was elected president of the Kentucky Anti-Saloon League, and served in that capacity until a few months ago when he resigned.

Dr. Adams will decide finally what he will do in the next few days, and should he decide to accept the call, which is almost a certainty, he will give his congregation due notice in order that they may secure another pastor.

### TROOPS ORDERED OUT.

Acting Governor Cox Sends Company From Second Regiment To Murray, Ky.

At the request of Judge A. J. G. Wells, Acting Governor Cox has sent a mounted company of soldiers from the Second Regiment to protect the citizens of Murray, Ky., against the invasion of night riders. Murray is now under guard and lawlessness has ceased for the time being.

For a week citizens of Calloway county have been whipped by night riders, the principal outrages being committed in the eastern part of the county. Early Wednesday morning Al Perry, a planter, residing south-east of Murray, was whipped and ordered to hurry on to Murray and warn Mike Griffin that if he persisted in putting up tobacco at that place he would be severely dealt with.

Several other outrages have been reported and before the arrival of the troops the citizens were preparing to arm themselves to resist the attacks.

### LECTURE ON TEXAS.

Prof. L. C. McClurg will give a lecture at the Y. M. C. A., on Tuesday, April 14th, under the auspices of the Woman's Club. His subject will be "Texas."

From the press notices all speak in the highest terms of this lecture, and our citizens have a rare treat in store.

### SEPARATE TOBACCO TAX SUITS.

State Revenue Agent M. S. Burley, whose \$20,000,000 suit for the Burley Tobacco Company is a whole was known to the adverse opinion of the court in the Clark county case, after Monday, announced that he would now take action several counties of the state and demand a showing of records, which was the ruling of the court.

The first hearing against the county boards of control will be in Lexington, on Monday, April 13, when the action instituted against the Fayette Board of Control will be called. Subpoenas will be issued for both President C. C. Patrick and Secretary J. D. Clark, and perhaps several other members of the executive committee, with the view of having them produce the books and make a detailed showing as to the amount of tobacco on hand during the time covered by the allegations in the plaintiff's petition. If Mr. Rehorn is sustained in the court here he will at once go after the Board of Control in every county of the White River district in the same manner.

## MERGER

### OF TOBACCO FACTIONS.

PLAN FORMED AT OWENSBORO TO EFFECT A NEW ORGANIZATION.

It is believed that peace will continue to reign in the Green River tobacco district. A movement for the consolidation of all of the tobacco growers of the Green River district in a single organization under a constitution providing for home rule and home storage was begun at a meeting in Owensboro of the Green River Tobacco Growers' Association of the American Society of Equity, and unless the plan fails it will be consummated at a general mass-meeting of tobacco growers to be held in Owensboro, April 18.

The proposed constitution for the new organization resembles in some respects the plan of government in force in the Dark Tobacco Growers' Protective Association, while in other important respects it differs from that association.

The new organization, if formed, will embrace five counties in Kentucky, the old Green River district, and two in Indiana, Spencer and Warrick. The Kentucky counties are Daviess, McLean, Hancock, Ohio and Breckinridge. The distinctive points of the proposed plan of government are: County representation on a basis of amount of tobacco produced, the handling and sale of tobacco by a district board of control, subject to county referendum, permanent headquarters in Owensboro, illumination of all questions except that of growing, handling and marketing tobacco and independence of other organizations.

From present indications it appears almost certain that the union of all the factions in the new organization will be effected. The tobacco growers, regardless of organic affiliation, recognize the futility of attempting to control the situation with two or three organizations. Some 300 of them in Daviess county alone have heretofore not affiliated with any organization.

Many of the most prominent American Society of Equity men are strong advocates of the new organization. This was clearly apparent in the district meeting. The meeting was largely attended and much enthusiasm was manifested. A number of the men who have in the past favored pooling the tobacco with the Louisville Warehouse Company, spoke in favor of the new organization.

### DOCKET OF APPELLATE COURT APRIL TERM.

The docket of the April term of the Court of Appeals has just been issued by Appellate Clerk Napier Adams. It contains twenty-six Commonwealth cases and 272 appearance and continued cases, making a total of 298 cases, a rather smaller docket than for several terms of the court.

Mr. Arthur Crutcher is building a new residence on one of his farms on the Versailles pike.

## WANTED TO GIVE GOVERNOR

### PROPOSAL

### ALLEGED NIGHT RIDER AS FRANKFORT BUSINESS MAN WHERE THE EXECUTIVE SPENDS HIS NIGHTS.

### EVIDENTLY TRYING TO WORK A GAME OF BLUFF.

A well known Frankfort business man is responsible for the statement that the Governor came near being visited by night riders during the legislative session. The matter has just leaked out, but The News has it upon reliable authority that a man who admitted he was a "night-rider," or would be one whenever it became necessary, came to Frankfort to secure some information to carry back to "headquarters." He walked about the city and talked casually with several people until he found out who were expressing themselves favorably towards the "night-riders." To one of these sympathizers, who is a well-known business man of this city, he talked for some time, grew confidential in his manner and finally said:

"Confidentially, where does Governor Willson stay at night—at the Mansion, at the Capital Hotel or in Louisville?"

"Why do you want to know that," was asked.

"Well, we want to visit him and ask him a few questions about the tobacco situation and the trust," replied the mysterious stranger.

"You don't mean that you would bring a crowd of riders right into the State

Capital and roust the Governor out of his bed, do you?" asked the Frankfort man.

"Why, certainly," replied the stranger, "but we do not intend to do him any bodily harm. All we want to tell him is that no tobacco shall be raised in Kentucky this year, and that all he has to do is to sit steady in the boat and no harm shall come to him or any one else."

He asked the same questions as to where certain Senators and Representatives boarded, and said they might be called on too, by the "night riders" if it was deemed necessary.

It is possible that this stranger was just indulging in idle talk and was trying to "start something," but the man he was talking to says he talked like he meant what he said. Whether the passage and approval of the Crecelius tobacco bill caused a change of heart and a change of plan for the "night-riders" is not known, but it is believed they intended to make the visit to Frankfort to influence the tobacco legislation, as the stranger was here about the time the Crecelius bill passed the Senate.

## BOOZE ON FIRE.

### BIGGEST DISTILLERY IN COUNTRY BURNING.

By a dispatch from Peoria, Ill., we learn that the big distilling plant of Corning & Co., at that place, was wrapped in flames, and the probability was stated to be that the distillery, two big warehouses, elevator and the huge cattle pens would be completely destroyed.

This is one of the largest, if not the largest, distillery in this country. The loss up to the time the dispatch was sent, amounted to \$1,000,000 or more. This included 50,000 gallons of spirits in the stills, which involves the loss of \$110 revenue tax upon each gallon, making, in that item alone, a loss of \$55,000.

### MORE ENCOURAGING

Campaign To Raise Funds For Y. M. C. A. Progressing Nicely.

The campaign for funds to pay off the indebtedness of the Y. M. C. A. is progressing better than the indications at first gave promise of. The officers of the association feel somewhat encouraged and they are hopeful that the entire indebtedness can be paid off in a few weeks. While the future of the local institution is still in doubt, President Greene and the other members of the board are working to arouse interest among the citizens of Frankfort. Secretary Swain's resignation has not yet been acted upon by the board.

### ANNOUNCES FOR CONGRESS.

The Hon. R. H. Elliston, of Williamstown, has made formal announcement of his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for Congress in the Sixth district to succeed Congressman Joseph Rhinock. Mr. Elliston is well known in State politics as well as in his home district. He served in the State Senate from the Bracken-Pendleton-Grant district in 1893, at which session he took a prominent part in the passage of the free turnpike act. Clifford Nadaud, of Kentucky, is the only other announced candidate for the Democratic nomination.

## TO GET THE AX

### SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC PRINTING J. W. HEDDEN.

One of the on dits of the week is that the headman's ax is to fall, in the near future, and that its victim is to be Jolly, genial Capt. Jos. W. Hedden, Superintendent of Public Printing.

It seems that Capt. Hedden was appointed to this position in 1906, by Gov. J. C. W. Beckham, for a term of four years, under an act of the Legislature creating the office.

In that law there is a provision which allows the Board of Print Commissioners to remove the incumbent "for cause," which, in political parlance, means that whenever the Board, means that whenever the fellow, the incumbent has to "skidoo."

Capt. Hedden's friends claim that the wording of the law is such that he can not be removed until his four years is up, which will be in 1910.

However this may be, the rumor is that the Board wants the place for another man, and we fear our genial friend will have to "walk Spanish"—"to the victor belongs the spoils," and such.

### REMEMBERED THE TEXT.

A five-year-old hopeful attended the Methodist church with his parents, the other Sunday, and Rev. J. S. Sims, the pastor, preached on the text: "And He Touched the Blind." The minister delivered an eloquent sermon, relating how Christ, on entering the city of Nain, was met by a funeral procession and, after commenting on the widow's faith, touched the blind and restored her only son to life. The sermon seemed to singularly impress the little fellow. On returning home his grandmother asked him what the minister preached about.

"Well," said the little boy, "he told the people that they must not drink beer."

### PROF. CRABBE BETTER.

The condition of Prof. J. G. Crabbe, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, who has been seriously ill at his home on Logan street, is much improved and it is believed that he will shortly be able to leave his bed.

### PREPARING FOR PROTRACTED MEETING.

Rev. Chas. R. Hudson, the pastor, and the members of the Christian Church, in this city, are rapidly drawing the necessary preparations for a protracted meeting to a close.

The meeting will commence Sunday, April 12, and continue as long as the Spirit leads.

Rev. W. H. Pinkerton, one of the ablest and most successful ministers in that denomination, has been secured to assist the pastor in the preaching. He is said to be an orator of no mean power, and is an attractive and magnetic speaker.

Mr. J. Herman Dodd, who has a fine reputation as one of the "sweet singers of Israel," will conduct the music, rendering attractive solos, backed up by a large chorus choir.

This congregation has been looking forward to this meeting for some time, and great results are expected.

The pastor earnestly invokes the earnest prayers of his own people, especially, but of all Christians generally, that a great outpouring of blessing may come to this city.

The public generally are cordially invited to attend.

## POULTRY SHOW

### TO BE SOMETHING GRAND

AT THE COMING STATE FAIR PROMISES TO BREAK ALL RECORDS.

The poultry and pet stock exhibit at the next annual State Fair, in September, will be the largest and best display of poultry ever seen at an exhibition in Kentucky, if the efforts of those having charge bear fruit. In order that this display should rank with other exhibits at the fair, M. C. Rankin, Commissioner of Agriculture, several days ago, appointed a committee composed of J. W. Newman, Secretary of the Fair; Guthrie Wilson and Caldwell Norton, to confer with the poultry men from various sections of the State, and a committee was appointed from this delegation to make recommendations for classifications and rules to govern the exhibit at the fair.

This second committee is composed of John Goode, William C. Cawthorn, Dr. B. C. Frazier, H. L. Nevins and Mr. Hess, and they will immediately prepare such recommendations as they think advisable and present them to the officials of the fair. It has been the effort of the State Fair Board to reunite the two factions among the poultrymen of the State, composed of the Louisville Poultry and Pet Stock Association and the Kentucky State Poultry Association, and this has now been accomplished and the members of both associations will work in harmony in the future, looking to a great display of poultry and pet stock at the State Fair.

### THE FRUIT SAFE SO FAR.

Although the thermometer scuttled perilously near the ice-line, we are informed by our farmer friends and horticulturists that, so far as can be seen just now, little, if any, damage, was done to the fruit crop.

They also say that even if one-third or one-half of the bloom is blasted, yet the trees will not be able to bear the load of fruit which the remainder of the buds will afford.

We sincerely hope that no serious damage may befall the crop, and we may have a full harvest of the toothsome peach, cherry, plum, apple, pear, raspberry, strawberry and blackberry. Yum! Yum!!

### LEECH A WEATHER PROPHET.

A leech confined in a vial of water, will prove an excellent weather prophet.

If the weather is to continue fine the leech lies motionless at the bottom of the vial and rolled together in a spiral form.

If it is to rain, either before or after noon, it is found to have crept up to the top of its lodging, and there it remains until the weather is settled.

If we are to have wind, the poor prisoner gallops through his limpid habitation with amazing swiftness, and seldom rests till it begins to blow hard.

## ASSESSMENT

### OF RAILROAD AND BRIDGE PROPERTY.

State Board Of Valuation and Assessment Meets.

ACTING GOVERNOR COX ISSUES

PARDON TO JOHN HUNTER

SERVING LIFE TERM.

### CONFINED TWENTY YEARS.

The State Board of Valuation and Assessment has begun its annual assessment of the franchises of the various railroad and bridge companies and the tentative valuations have been made of the larger companies as follows, there being very little change from last year's assessment:

1907	1908
L. & N. R. R. \$36,221,218	\$36,873,771
C. & O. R. R. \$9,105,460	\$9,086,460
C. N. O. & T. P. Ry. \$9,552,881	\$9,557,426
Ill. Central Ry. \$16,370,373	\$16,049,788
Lex. & Eas. \$1,467,870	\$1,467,870
N. C. & St. L. \$1,108,600	\$1,151,030
Lou. H. & St. L. \$2,727,300	\$2,786,600
Southern Ry. \$2,673,416	\$2,674,560
Lou. Bridge Co. \$2,144,266	
Lou. & Jef. Br. Co. \$1,100,000	\$1,100,000
Ky. & I. B. Co. \$1,550,000	\$1,550,000

The Southern Pacific Company's franchise was assessed at \$2,374,189 for this year. A great many of the smaller railroad companies have no franchise value at all as they hardly earn enough to pay expenses, and therefore the State Board does not assess any value to their franchises.

### Life Timer Pardoned.

Acting Governor Cox yesterday pardoned John Hunter, a negro convict serving a life term from Ohio county. He was sent up in 1886 for stealing and it being his third term, he was given a life sentence. He is 49 years old and says he will never steal again.

### CHRISTENED WITH WHISKY

The little city of Tyrone was in holiday attire Friday in honor of the dedication of the new steel bridge which has just been completed at a cost of \$7,000. It spans Bailey's Run. The town was thronged with visitors and old-fashioned burgoos was served in abundance. Mayor John Lancaster was master of ceremonies. The Rev. James Baker offered prayer, and then speeches were delivered by Wilkes H. Morgan, Frank L. Ripy, William E. Dowling and Lillard H. Carter. Beautiful little Gertrude Lancaster rode a mule over the bridge, and in a few well-chosen words christened the bridge with a bottle of whisky.

### COL. STONE.

Seeking Appointment As Assistant Attorney General Under Judge Breathitt.

Col. Geo. W. Stone, of Leitchfield, is making a strong pull for appointment as Assistant Attorney General under Attorney General Breathitt. Col. Stone was formerly State Mine Inspector during the administration of former Governor Bradley, and he has many friends in Frankfort who would like to see him secure the appointment. He is now engaged in the practice of law at Leitchfield.

### DOG TAX CASE.

Col. James Andrew Scott Will Re-Argue Case Before Court of Appeals.

Col. James Andrew Scott, of this city, will re-argue the dog tax case before the Court of Appeals. The case will be one of the first to be heard after the reconvening of the court.

Capt. Sam C. Leavy has given up the management of one of the farms owned by Mr. James B. Haggin, and has taken up his residence in Midway.

We print anything and we print everything right.